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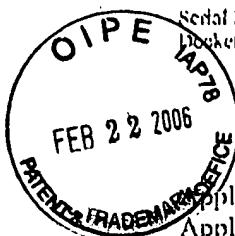
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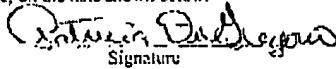
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Provided herewith are comments on the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance presented in the Notice of Allowance dated November 28, 2005.

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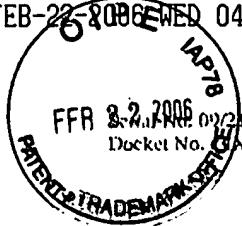

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The Examiner remarks that Claims 1-22 are allowed for reasons set forth in Paper No./Mail Date 20051122, page 2.

While Applicant agrees that presented claims pertain to allowable subject matter, Applicant respectfully submits that to the extent that the Examiner's remarks suggest or state that certain limitations or combinations not found in the prior art of record relied upon are or may be present in each and every allowable claim, whether or not specific language to that effect is found in every allowable claim, the record as a whole must be considered in addition to the Examiner's remarks, and, to the extent that the record as a whole is clear and complete, it shall control the interpretation of any and all allowable claims.

Additionally, the Examiner's statement of reasons may imply that features found in persuasive arguments only are part of all of the allowable claims, when in fact the record may reflect that there are claims not so limited. For example, elements pertaining to a persuasive argument may be found in one claim but not in another. Accordingly, the other claims, and claims dependent from the other claims that do not recite the same as the one claim, are not so limited.

Respectfully submitted,

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